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SUBJECT: HIGHLIGHTS

I. ATMOSPHERICS AND MEDIA REACTION:

GOP PLATFORM

-- ALL PAPERS REPORTED PARTIAL TEXT GOP PLANK ON ASIA THAT EMPHASIZED U.S.-ROC RELATIONS AND STRESSED CONTINUING SUPPORT TO "OUR FRIEND AND ALLY, THE ROC AND ITS 16 MILLION PEOPLE; THE U.S. WILL FULFILL AND KEEP ITS COMMITMENTS, SUCH AS THE MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY WITH THE ROC."

-- EDITORIAL IN INFLUENTIAL CHINA TIMES (CHUNG KUO SHIH PAO - 350,000) HAILED GOP PLATFORM FOR ITS POSITIVE ATTITUDE, NOTED USE OF TERM REPUBLIC OF CHINA (INSTEAD OF "TAIWAN"), EMPHASIZED ABSENCE OF REFERENCES "SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE." ACCORDING EDITORIAL, DEMOCRATIC PLANK ON CHINA MORE OBSCURE THAN GOP'S. BUT, JIMMY CARTER MADE POSITION CLEARER IN TIME INTERVIEW IN WHICH HE SAID U.S. WILL NOT RECOGNIZE PRC UNLESS TAIWAN ASSURED FREEDOM FROM MAINLAND MILITARY COERCION.

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U.S. CHINA POLICY -- NORMALIZATION

-- RESPECTED COMMENTATOR LAI CHING-HU WROTE FROM NEW YORK IN CHINA TIMES ABOUT U.S. ELECTION AND U.S.-ROC RELATIONS, OPINING U.S. FOREIGN POLICY WILL NOT CHANGE DRASTICALLY NO MATTER WHO NEXT PRESIDENT. ALL PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES WANT PIT MAO AGAINST BREZHNEV. MOST AMERICANS APPROVE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE, ACCORDING LAI. GOLDWATER LONE WOLF IN DEFENSE ROC. RECENTLY FORD ADMINISTRATION STEPPED UP MILITARY SALES ROC. THIS SEEN AS INDICATION U.S. READINESS OFFER DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION PRC, SINCE AFTER U.S.-PRC ESTABLISH TIES, MILITARY HARDWARE CANNOT BE SOLD TAIWAN. IN THIS LIGHT ROC SHOULD STRIVE BUILD UP OWN NATIONAL DEFENSE FORCE, SAID LAI.

-- CHINA TIMES COMMENTATOR LEE LIEN REVIEWED U.S.-ROC RELATIONS SINCE NIXON'S MAINLAND VISIT. LEE SUGGESTED ROC SHOULD TAKE INITIATIVE IN OPPOSING "NORMALIZATION" PREDICTED FOR 1977. ROC SHOULD STEP UP RELATIONS WITH U.S. TO FOIL PRC ATTEMPTS FOR BREAK-THROUGH IN ESTABLISHING TIES. LEE SAID PRC ANXIOUS ENTICE U.S. INTO COMPLETING NORMALIZATION PROCESS SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME BECAUSE SITUATION IN PRC BROOKS NO FURTHER DELAY.

SENATOR HUGH SCOTT

-- LARGEST CIRCULATION UNITED DAILY NEWS (LIEN HO PAO - 380,000) IN LENGTHY EDITORIAL QUESTIONED SENATOR SCOTT COULD SUGGEST NEGOTIATIONS/TRADE BETWEEN PEKING/TAIPEI. AFTER ALL, COMMUNISTS INTEND WIPE OUT FREEDOM 16 MILLION PERSONS IN TAIWAN. TRADE IMPOSSIBLE, FOR PEKING MAINTAINS THERE IS STATE OF WAR BETWEEN MAINLAND AND TAIWAN. EDITORIAL ALSO REJECTED SCOTT'S SUGGESTION TAIWAN'S SECURITY SHOULD REST MORE ON FRIENDSHIP WITH U.S. THAN ON DEFENSE TREATY.

JIMMY CARTER

-- CHINA TIMES' WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT CHEN HENG-LI DISCUSSED ESSENCE JIMMY CARTER'S FOREIGN POLICY. CHEN SAID 1) CARTER'S AMBIGUITY MAY CLEAR UP AFTER GOP SELECTS CANDIDATE; 2) CARTER MUST FACE REALITY, DETENTE OR NO UNCLASSIFIED

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DETENTE; 3) CARTER OPPOSES SECRET DIPLOMACY; 4) CARTER WILL NOT HEED LIBERALS AND WILL NOT RECOGNIZE PRC AT EXPENSE ROC; 5) NOW THAT HE HAS RECEIVED GOVERNMENT BRIEFING ON CHINA, CARTER SEEMS HAVE BETTER UNDERSTANDING; 6) CARTER'S RECENT CHINA POLICY STATEMENTS SIMILAR REAGAN'S AND KISSINGER'S.

-- EDITORIAL WRITER FOR PROPOSED NEW EUROPEAN AREA CHINESE

LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER SCHEDULED FOR PUBLICATION ABOUT OCTOBER IN HAMBURG SAYS FINANCING WILL BE IN PART BY PRIVATE INDUSTRIALIST WHO ALSO PUBLISHER OF THE CHINA TRIBUNE IN NEW YORK CITY AND IN PART BY TYPHOONG TRADE CENTER, SEMI-OFFICIAL GROC OUTLET IN HAMBURG.

-- EXECUTIVE YUAN AUGUST 15 APPROVED NEW THREE-YEAR FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM TO BE INSTITUTED IMMEDIATELY. GOAL IS TO AVOID BIRTHS OF 360,000 BABIES, AT COST OF MORE THAN NT\$357 MILLION. IF GOAL REALIZED, WOULD SAVE ESTIMATED NT\$13.5 BILLION IN EDUCATION COSTS ALONE. HOWEVER, DESPITE ROC ADVANCES IN FAMILY PLANNING, ALSO DISCLOSED THIS WEEK THAT AUSPICIOUS "DRAGON YEAR" BIRTHS WILL RISE ESTIMATED 24,000 OVER PREVIOUS YEAR TOTAL OF 367,500, WIPING OUT "PAINSTAKING EFFORTS OF FAMILY PLANNERS IN PAST FIVE YEARS," ACCORDING FAMILY PLANNING INSTITUTE DIRECTOR.

-- NEWSWEEK INTERNATIONAL AUGUST 16 CENSORED, BUT ACTION TAKEN REFLECTS DILEMMA FACING AUTHORITIES. FIRST PAGE OF ARTICLE "RICH--AND JITTERY" REMAINED, BUT PAGE WITH CARTOON AND JUMP OF STORY EXCISED. ARTICLE ENDS IN MID-SENTENCE WITH "AND TAIWAN FEARS THAT, WITH SO MANY NATIONS CLAMORING FOR A CHANCE AT THE MAINLAND MARKET, PEKING."

II. PROGRAM ACTIVITIES:

USIS-TAICHUNG SPONSORED MR. CHIEN MIN-YEN IN VIOLIN RECITAL AT USIS AUGUST 14. CHIEN, EARLY 1960'S CHILD PRODIGY RECEIVED MASTER'S DEGREE FROM JULLIARD IN JUNE AND IS RETURNING TO U.S. TO WORK TOWARD DOCTORATE. CHIEN'S RECITAL INCLUDED WORKS BY MOZART, BEETHOVEN, WIENAWSKI AND BLOCK -- AS WELL AS A WORK BY AN AMERICAN, "NOBODY KNOWS DE TROUBLE I'VE SEEN," OP. 12, NO. 1, BY CLARENCE CAMERON WHITE. OVER 300 PEOPLE UNCLASSIFIED

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ATTENDED CONCERT, AND APPLAUSE WAS MOST ENTHUSIASTIC FOR TAIWAN MUSIC CONCERT. SIX MEMBERS PRIMARY AUDIENCE MEMBERS ATTENDED CONCERT IN ADDITION TO DR. MA HSIAO-TSUN, MUSIC DIRECTOR OF THE CHILDREN'S ORCHESTRA OF NEW YORK AND CONCURRENTLY THE DIRECTOR OF THE ECOLE CESAR FRANCK OF PARIS. PROGRAM MOST EFFECTIVE IN EMPHASIZING QUALITY OF MUSIC INSTRUCTION IN U.S.

-- U.S. PRODUCTS EXHIBITION AT FAR EASTERN DEPARTMENT STORE IN KAOHSIUNG AUGUST 15 CLOSED 16-DAY SHOW FEATURING VARIETY U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCTS. USIS EXHIBIT, AS IN TAINAN, INCLUDED VTR "LEISURE LAND USA," "AN INDEPENDENT VOICE" AND "SOME HORIZONS" ON CONTINUOUS SHOWINGS WERE BIG HITS, AND USIS-SPONSORED BOOK TRANSLATIONS WERE ON SALE AT SPECIAL BOOTH.

-- DR. PAUL HAO, DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH
INSTITUTE, LECTURED ON VIKING PROJECT TO TOTAL AUDIENCE OF
345 AT THREE BRANCH POSTS AUGUST 13-15. LECTURER STRESSED
EXPERIMENTS ON MARS AND GAVE OVERVIEW VIKING PROJECT.
SHOWING OF "SCIENCE REPORT" 157-B ENHANCED AUDIENCE
INTEREST. PROGRAM RATED VERY SUCCESSFUL.
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